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TAGS: PGOV CA

SUBJECT: NEWFOUNDLAND: SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

1. LT GOV GORDON A WINTER OPENED A NEW SESSION OF NFLD S HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ON FEB 2 WITH A SPEECH FROM THE THRONE WHICH PROMISED LITTLE IN THE WAY OF GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE TO THE THOUSANDS OF JOBLESS NEWFOUNDLANDERS WHO MAKE UP 14 PERCENT OF THE PROVINCES AVAILABLE WORKFORCE. THE ONLY IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE OFFERED IS A DOLS TWO MILLION PROGRAM EXTENDING FROM FEB TO MAY WHICH WILL FOCUS ON HIGH PRIORITY, LABOR INTENSIVE PROJECTS IN THE FIELDS OF FISHERIES, FORESTRY, AGRICULTURE, TOURISM, AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
2. THE ONE BRIGHT SPOT IN A RATHER CHEERLESS OUTLINE OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT S PROGRAM OF CONTINUED RESTRAINT WAS THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT TAXES WILL NOT BE INCREASED THIS YEAR.
3. A NUMBER OF MODEST PROGRAMS TO ENCOURAGE DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTIVITY IN THE NATURAL RESOURCE AREAS WERE ANNOUNCED, INCLUDING PLANNED NEW REGULATIONS

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TO CONTROL THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY AND A PLANNED MINERAL RESOURCE ACREAGE TAX BILL DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE EXPLORATION EXPENDITURES ON LANDS HELD FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME OR IN PERPETUITY. IT WAS STRESSED, HOWEVER, THAT THE RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IS FOR THE LONG TERM AND IS UNLIKELY TO PRODUCE ANY SUDDEN TRANSFORMATION OF THE NFLD ECONOMY.

4. POUCHING PRESS CLIPPINGS TO EUR/XAN AND TO EMB OTTAWA.  
WILL ALSO POUCH TEXT OF SPEECH FROM THE THRONE WHEN IT  
IS RECEIVED.  
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